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28 September 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 28 September 1960

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Mr. Dulles, Dr. FitzGerald, Mr. Gray,  
Mr. Harr, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Merchant, Mr. Scribner,  
Mr. Smith

1. Allen Visit to the U.N.

Mr. Allen told the Board about his recent trip to the meeting of the United Nations General Assembly.

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3. SAMOS Satellite

The Board continued its discussion of the SAMOS project. A draft of guidelines to be followed in the early stages, which was prepared by the Defense Department, was circulated and was generally agreed to. It was decided that a working committee consisting of Mr. Snyder from Defense, Mr. Farley from State and [ ] would draft suggested answers which could be given to questions which might be

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anticipated from the press or other sources. It was reiterated that the President does not desire any contrived slippage to occur in the launching of the first SAMOS satellite.

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The consensus of the Board was that all responsible personnel at the launching site must follow instructions from Washington as to the handling of publicity.

Mention was made of an article in International Affairs magazine which defends the use of reconnaissance satellites, and one in the Reader's Digest on the subject of the U-2.

#### 4. Arms for Ethiopia

Mr. Merchant reported that Emperor Haile Sellassie reacted well to the offer of military assistance which was made recently through Ambassador Richards. He said that the Emperor had held a very useful press conference after the meeting with the Ambassador.

#### 5. Inventory of Human Resources

Mr. Merchant reported that

had not been particularly optimistic about the prospects of producing a worthwhile inventory of technicians who could be of use throughout Africa. He also noted that a number of American technicians have been placed in the Congo under the auspices of the United Nations, and that the State Department does not believe it wise to push for many more at a time when the U.N. is being reasonably successful in getting rid of large numbers of Soviet "advisors" there. *Mr. Dulles suggested that we should try to get some kind of an inventory even if not complete.*

#### 6. Africa

It was noted that the NSC policy guidance for Africa is fairly thin, and that it is planned to produce new guidance some time after Thanksgiving.

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It was also noted that Operations Plans for many African countries have yet to be produced. There was some discussion as to whether such plans could best be handled on a regional or an individual country basis.

7. African Delegations at the U. N.

Mr. Harr questioned whether enough is being done to assist members of African delegations to the U. N. in connection with their personal requirements in New York. Mr. Merchant said that everything possible along these lines is being done.

  
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